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The University of Montana in Missoula is the only institution of higher learning in Montana to have its doctoral level programs in education nationally accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), Dr. David C. Smith, dean of the school, has announced.

Programs in the UM School of Education reaccredited by NCATE for a 10-year period include:

- Elementary and secondary teaching at the bachelor's and master's degree levels.
- Elementary and secondary school principal training; supervision and curricular training, and school counseling, all at the master's degree and doctoral levels.
- School superintendent programs at the specialist and doctoral levels.

NCATE also granted initial accreditation for the UM School of Education's specialist level programs for a five-year period. Those specialist programs are designed for persons interested in advanced training as elementary and secondary school principals, supervision and curriculum specialists, and school counselors.

"Of 1,367 U.S. institutions of higher learning involved in teacher education, UM is the only school in the state and one of only 108 colleges and universities nationally which are accredited by NCATE at the doctoral level," Smith said. "UM also is among the 546 institutions of higher learning accredited from the bachelor's degree-up by NCATE.

"The University of Montana should be justly proud of having met the accreditation standards of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, particularly in light of the fact that so few institutions are able to achieve accreditation at the doctoral level," Smith said.

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